

Comparisons of Job Characteristics

Focus Occupation: Computer Support Specialists (15-1041)

Associated Occupation: Computer Specialists, All Other (15-1099)

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<<	Focus occupation element is much lower
<	Focus occupation element is lower
0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 89

Focus Occupation: Computer Support Specialists (15-1041)
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Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Computers and Electronics	8.4	19.7	22.0	> Current knowledge level is likely sufficient
Engineering and Technology	5.7	11.5	9.7	< Expanded education and/or training may be required
Design	5.2	11.1	6.0	<< Extensive education and/or training may be required
Telecommunications	3.9	9.0	11.2	> Current knowledge level is likely sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 70

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Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Operations Analysis	5.0	12.0	6.7	<< Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Systems Evaluation	6.4	11.1	7.2	<< Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Systems Analysis	6.5	10.6	8.4	< A higher skill level may be required
Programming	2.2	10.0	3.9	<< Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Technology Design	2.6	6.6	3.1	<< Extensive development of skills in this area may be required

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Abilities		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 95			
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Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Deductive Reasoning	10.6	12.8	10.6	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Written Expression	9.8	12.7	11.6	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Information Ordering	9.9	11.7	11.2	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Category Flexibility	9.0	10.4	9.3	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Fluency of Ideas	7.6	10.1	7.6	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Originality	7.6	9.8	7.5	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Speed of Closure	5.9	7.2	6.2	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required

The maximum possible rating is 25.

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There are no common work activities.

Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 86
Focus Occupation: Computer Support Specialists (15-1041) Associated Occupation: Computer Specialists, All Other (15-1099)		
Tools and Technologies	Exclusivity	
Business function specific software	1	
Computers	1	
Content authoring and editing software	1	
Data management and query software	1	
Development software	4	
Electronic and communication measuring and testing instruments	14	
Industry specific software	1	
Information exchange software	1	
Media storage devices	21	
Network applications software	1	
Network management software	37	
Networking software	21	
Operating environment software	12	

Personal communication devices	2
Security and protection software	30
Utility and device driver software	17

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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